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1. HIGHLIGHTS. WEEK-END PAPERS FRONTPAGED DOMESTIC ITEMS AND ISRAELI SKYJACKING; MONDAY THE SAME. TIME HAS SQUIB ON PENTAGON; OTHERS HAVE REPORTED RECENTLY ON CHINESE NUCLEAR BASE, ALSO HOUSE SQUABBLE ON DELEGATION TO GENEVA. SOME DISCUSSION OF NUCLEAR TREATIES.

2. PENTAGON. TIME MAGAZINE TODAY HAS AMONG ITS AMERICAN NOTES AN ITEM, OVERSELLING THE PENTAGON, WHICH REPORTS THAT PENTAGON NOT ONLY HAS COST OVERRUNS ON WEAPONS BUT GAO REVEALED THAT PENTAGON, WHILE PROUDLY REMAINING WITHIN ITS 28-MILLION PUBLIC-RELATIONS BUDGET HAS ACTUALLY BEEN SPENDING MILLIONS MORE ON SUCH ITEMS AS FORMATION-FLYING TEAMS, MARCHING BANDS, MILITARY MUSEUMS AND BASE TOURS. TIME'S NOTE COMMENTS PUBLIC RELATIONS EXPENDITURES SEEM TO HAVE HAD LITTLE EFFECT, CITING SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE SLASH OF 100 MILLION ON B-1 BOMBER, 29 MILLION FOR NEW NAVY SHIPS, AND 156,000 TROOPS FROM ACTIVE DUTY ROSTERS. TIME ASKS WOULD THE MILITARY'S RELATIONS BE WORSE IF ITS P.R. SPENDING WERE REDUCED TO ZERO?

2A. DETROIT NEWS EDITORIAL AUGUST 2 REJOICED THAT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAD DECISIVELY REJECTED 50 PERCENT TROOP CUT, SO WHATEVER ACTION SENATE MAY TAKE, HOUSE ACTION MAKES IT CERTAIN WE SHALL NOT UNILATERALLY REDUCE OUR OVERSEAS STRENGTH.

2B. ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT JULY 27 EDITORIAL STRESSED RUSSIA LEADS IN MANY MILITARY CATEGORIES WHEREAS AVERAGE AMERICAN BELIEVES SALT AGREEMENT HAS MADE DEFENSE SPENDING OBSOLETE. PAPER URGED ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN PREPARED-NESS TO VOICE HIS CONCERN TO HIS CONGRESSMEN.

3. CHINA. SCRIPPS-HOWARD'S PITTSBURGH PRESS AUGUST 6 HAD WASHINGTON STORY BY RICHARD BOYCE REPORTING CHINA IS QUIETLY DEVELOPING NUCLEAR WEAPONS FAR SUPERIOR TO FRENCH, BOYCE CITING INFORMED US OFFICIALS SAYING CHINA NOW HAS SOVIET-TYPE TUPELOV-16 BOMBERS CAPABLE OF CARRYING LARGE WARHEADS 1500-MILES, SEVERAL NEW MISSILE-CARRYING DESTROYERS, AND SOME NEW SUBMARINES ALSO THOUGHT TO BE UNCLASSIFIED

NUCLEAR-ARMED. BOYCE SAID THE ANALYSTS AREN'T CERTAIN HOW FAR CHINA HAS PROGRESSED IN PERFECTING A SMALLER BUT EQUALLY POWERFUL MISSILE WARHEAD WHICH WILL DETERMINE HOW QUICKLY CHINA CAN TAKE ITS PLACE ALONGSIDE US AND RUSSIA AS NUCLEAR SUPERPOWER.

4. GENEVA. DENVER POST JULY 30 HAD WASHINGTON STORY REPORTING REPRESENTATIVE PATRICIA SCHROEDER OF COLORADO

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HAD SCORED END-RUN VICTORY OVER CHAIRMAN HEBERT OF HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE WHO TRIED TO VETO HER AS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATE TO THE SUMMER DISARMAMENT TALKS IN GENEVA, STORY REPORTING MRS. SCHROEDER'S CRITICAL VIEWS OF US ARMS POLICY AND OF HOUSE COMMITTEE. STORY REPORTS THAT SPEAKER ALBERT DIRECTLY INFORMED STATE DEPARTMENT THAT MRS. SCHROEDER AND ANOTHER BLACK-LISTED CONGRESSMAN, REP. ALEXANDER OF ARKANSAS, WILL BE CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AT GENEVA. STORY REPORTS MRS. SCHROEDER SAID SHE BELIEVED IT IMPORTANT SHE ATTEND GENEVA CONFERENCE BECAUSE OF ISSUE OF STORAGE OF NERVE GAS AND OTHER CHEMICAL WEAPONS AT DENVER ARSENAL; STORY ADDS REP. HOLIFIELD HAD SOUGHT TO BLOCK ALEXANDER, WHO IS MEMBER OF HIS HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE, BUT ALBERT BACKED BOTH REPRESENTATIVES.

5. COMMENT. ATOMIC BAN OVERRATED IS TITLE OF EDITORIAL IN MILWAUKEE SENTINEL OF JULY 27, SAYING IT DIDN'T REDUCE AGGRESSIVENESS OF SOVIETS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN 1968 AND IT HAS BEEN AN INFLUENCE IN CONVINCING US TO LET

DOWN ITS NUCLEAR DEFENSES. SENTINEL SAID FRANCE'S DESIRE TO BUILD UP INDEPENDENT DETERRENT IS UNDERSTANDABLE AND EXISTING SUPER NUCLEAR POWERS MAY HAVE TO MAKE ROOM FOR ANOTHER MEMBER.

5A. HOWEVER, KANSAS CITY STAR JULY 29 IN LONG EDITORIAL ON TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF PACT SAYS IT IS APPROPRIATE TO RECOGNIZE HOW FAR MAN HAS TRAVELED IN ONE DECADE, HOW FAR ON THE LONG HARROWING ROAD FROM CONFRONTATION TO DETENTE. STAR NEVERTHELESS CONCLUDES WE STILL HAVE FAR TO GO.

5B. ERNEST CONINE HAD OP-ED PIECE IN AUGUST 10 LATIMES
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MAINTAINING TREATY TO PREVENT NUCLEAR SPREAD IS BEING SHREDDED, AND CITING FORMER NATO COMMANDER SIR WALTER WALKER AS SAYING NUCLEAR UMBRELLA IS GONE AS CONINE CITES RISING DOUBT IN EUROPE THAT NIXON WILL BE ABLE TO KEEP HIS PLEDGE AGAINST UNILATERAL REDUCTION OF US TROOPS THERE PLUS NIXON-BREZHNEV AGREEMENT TO WORK TOGETHER TO PREVENT NUCLEAR WAR. TO ILLUSTRATE THE DEEPER AMERICAN REVULSION AGAINST EXTERNAL COMMITMENTS CONINE CITES A RECENT GALLUP POLL TO EFFECT THAT MOST AMERICANS ARE NOT WILLING TO GO TO WAR TO DEFEND EUROPE.

5C. POSSIBLY CONINE HAS IN MIND POLL TAKEN BY GALLUP THIS SPRING UNDER COMMISSION BY EUROPEAN COMMUNITY INFORFORMATION SERVICE WHICH FOUND AMERICAN OPINION ABOUT EVENLY DIVIDED, WITH 43 PERCENT SAYING US SHOULD NOT

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RPT NOT GO TO WAR IF NECESSARY TO HELP DEFEND WESTERN
EUROPE, AND 41 PERCENT SAYING YES. SEE JULY ISSUE OF
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY BOTTOM OF PAGE EIGHT.

5D. FRIDAY WASHPOST HAD CLAYTON FRITCHEY COLUMN ON QUIET
SUCCESS OF (LAIBORNE PELL WHOSE RESOLUTION HAS JUST PASSED
SENATE 82 TO 10, AFTER YEARS OF WORK BY PELL, CALLING ON
US TO TAKE LEAD IN SEEKING TREATY TO OUTLAW USE OF ANY
ENVIRONMENTAL OR GEOPHYSICAL MODIFICATION AS A WEAPON OF
WAR. FRITCHEY ADDS PELL'S PROJECT FOR TREATY BANNING
PLACEMENT OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ON OCEAN FLOOR
IS NOW IN EFFECT, SIGNED BY 87 NATIONS. ROGERS

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